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SUBJECT: FURTHER SUPPORT FOR SAVIMBI FROM TRIPARTITE

HEADS OF STATE MEETING

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 921 AND 963

1. I HAVE LEARNED THIS AFTERNOON THAT IN LAST WEEKEND'S MEETING

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BETWEEN KAUNDA, MOBUTU AND NYERERE AT KANANGA DISCUSSION OF

FNLA/MPLA CONFLICT LED MOBUTU TO OFFER COMPROMISE SOLUTION TO PROBLEM WITH JONAS SAVIMBI OF UNITA PROPOSED AS PRESIDENT OF ANGOLA.

2. U.K. ELDER STATESMAN MALCOLM MACDONALD AND U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER MERVYN BROWN HELD MEETING WITH NYERERE TODAY AND IN DEFRIEFING ME REVEALED THE FOLLOWING.

3. KAUNDA AND NYERERE TOLD MOBUTU THAT PROBLEMS IN ANGOLA WERE SO COMPLICATED AND CIVIL WAR SO THREATENING THAT ONLY TWO COUNTRIES COULD EFFECTIVELY EXERCISE INFLUENCE. THEY SAID THESE COUNTRIES WERE ZAIRE AND PORTUGAL. MOBUTU SAID NO THAT THIS IS NO LONGER TRUE; THAT IF ZAIRE ATTEMPTED BRING PRESSURE TO BEAR ON THE SITUATION THERE WOULD BE AN ALIENATION OF THE MPLA, AND IF LISBON BROUGHT PRESSURE TO BEAR ROBERTO WOULD BE RESISTANT.

4. MOBUTU THEN SAID A NEW SOLUTION MUST BE FOUND AND THAT A POSSIBLE COMPROMISE WOULD BE TO HAVE BOTH ROBERTO AND NETO STEP DOWN AND TAKE SECONDARY ROLES BEHIND THE OVERALL LEADERSHIP OF SAVIMBI OF UNITA. MOBUTU THEN SAID THAT ROBERTO AND NETO MIGHT BE OFFERED EITHER THE VICE PRESIDENCY OR PREMIERSHIP THEREBY MAINTAINING THE ILLUSION OF UNITY OF THE TRINITY.

5. NYERERE AND KAUNDA EXPRESSED AMAZEMENT AT MOBUTU'S PROPOSITION BUT HASTENED TO ACKNOWLEDGE ITS SOUNDNESS.

6. NYERERE WAS ANXIOUS THAT ALL PARTIES (READ UK, US, ETC.) BE AWARE OF THIS POSSIBILITY AND IF THEY AGREE WITH ITS SOUNDNESS, BE SUPPORTIVE AS OPPORTUNITIES PRESENT THEMSELVES.
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